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## **AMENDMENT**

MS: AMENDMENT (Fee)

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application, in response to the Office Action dated January 23, 2009. The amendments are as listed below.

Amendment to the Specification (Abstract);

Amendments to the Claims;

Remarks are included following the amendments.